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The Honorable Ajit Pai Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Pai:

I write regarding the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by The Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*, MB Docket 05-0311 (proposed Rule Making).

Public, educational and governmental (PEG) channels play an integral role in providing important local content to viewers. These PEG access television channels serve our residents by providing hyper-local, non-commercial and educational programming platforms to our communities. Additionally, these PEG channels keep our communities safe through their emergency broadcast systems and engage viewers with their coverage of local government proceedings.

Stations in my district have expressed their concerns that the FCC proposal will jeopardize funding and eliminate their ability to produce the outlined programing that their communities rely on. As such, I offer my continued support to PEG channels and ask that you give their concerns every appropriate consideration.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter. Should you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Wade Blackman in my district office at 617-354-0292.

Sincerely,

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